IN THE SPECIFICATION:

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The one or [[e]] more or each plenum chamber may consist of only one external seal and is advantageously constructed without external sealants thereby eliminating a source of possible contamination whilst maintaining the desired level of cleanliness. The one or more or each plenum chamber may be detachable mounted to the ceiling of the powder handling booth (e.g., is a plug-in/plug-out arrangement) making it sufficiently versatile to be attached to any type of powder handling booth. The one or more or each plenum chamber may comprise a metal ([[eg]] e.g., steel) base frame coated on two sides with a material of a preset tension. The base frame provides a specific pressure drop which may contribute to the perfect laminar flow (PLF). The base frame conveniently has a ladder-like configuration. For example, the base frame comprises two elongated side members joined in parallel spaced apart relationship by a plurality of transverse members. On the lower face of the base frame there may be mounted PLF material (e.g., a PLF screen). Laminar flow light fittings may be mounted to the lower face of the frame (e.g., the side members) if desired.

On page 11, please amend the section entitled "Brief Description of the Drawings" as follows:

The present invention will now be described in a non-limitative sense with reference to the accompanying Figures in which:

Figure 1(a) illustrates a known down flow containment assembly;

Figure 1(b) illustrates the down flow containment assembly of Fig. 1(a) fitted with a work station;

Figure 1(c) illustrates a the down flow containment assembly of Fig. 2(a) with the addition of a transparent rigid screen;

Figure 2a illustrates schematically a plan view of an embodiment of the containment assembly of the invention;

Figure 2b illustrates schematically a side view of the same embodiment illustrated in Figure [[1]] 2a;

Figure 3 illustrates an embodiment of the barrier means of the invention;

Figure 4 illustrates a perspective view of an embodiment of the containment assembly of the invention; and

Figure 5 <u>illustrates</u> the same perspective view of the embodiment of Figure 4 with the operator outside the processing zone.